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—明治剣客浪漫譚—

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和月伸宏

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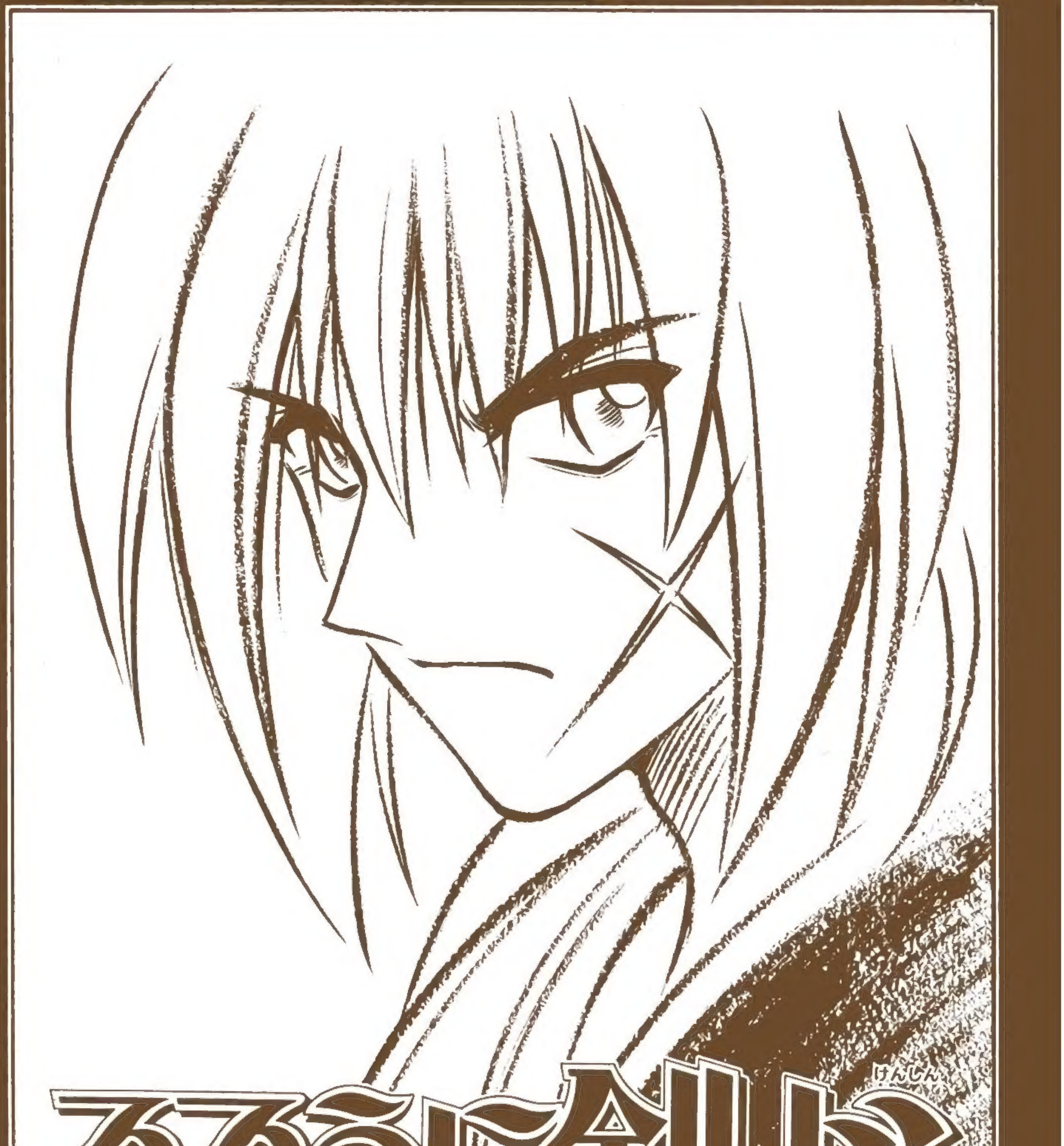

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巻之二十七

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登場人物紹介

緋村剣心（人斬り抜刀斎）

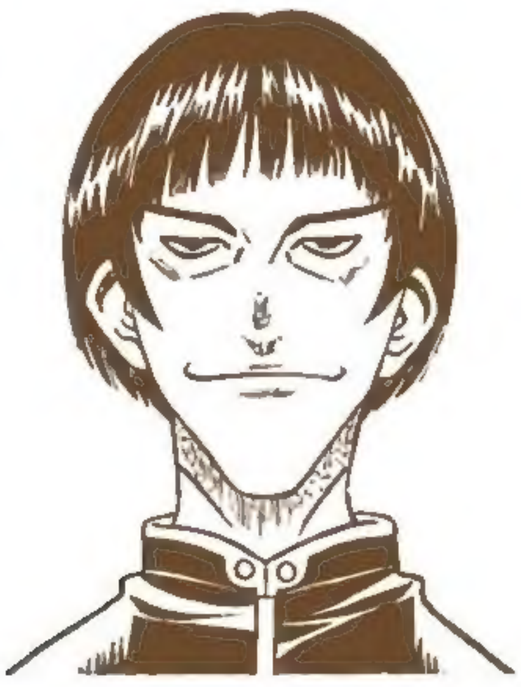
明神弥彦

相楽左之助

四乃森蒼紫

神谷薫

斎藤一



呉黒星

るろうに剣心

雪代縁

逆刃刀を腰に下げ、不殺を誓う流浪人・緋村剣心——彼こそは新時代・明治を切り拓いた維新志士の中で最強無比の伝説をもつ「人斬り抜刀斎」であった。

抜刀斎に恨みを持つ者達が集結、人誅の名の下、復讐を開始した。復讐者達の首謀者が、かつてその手で斬殺した妻・巴の弟・縁とわかり、剣心は苦悩するが、今の現実を守るために闘う事を決意。巴、縁との過去の因縁を薫達に語った。

26巻までのあらすじ

縁達六人は気球に乗り、総攻撃を仕掛けてきた。闘いの中、縁が薫を殺害。剣心は自責の念で人生を捨てた者達の集落「落人群」にその身をおとし、左之助は東京を離れる。しかし、弥彦達の調べで薫の死体は外法によって作られた屍人形と判明。薫は縁の組織が東京湾の中継点として使っている孤島に連れ去られていたのだ。そんな中、仇討ちを叫ぶ声には応えなかった剣心が、助けを求める少女の声に、自分の中に捨てるコトのできない唯一の真実がある事に気付き、ついに立ち上がる。一方、荒れる心を抱えたまま、故郷に帰っていた左之助は家族と再会。維新志士を後盾に持つ侠客・不動沢一味を相手に大喧嘩し、帰京する。剣心は左之助を加えた六人の仲間と、薫のいる孤島に上陸。縁との一対一の決着を望む剣心の前に、組織のNo.2の呉黒星が護衛者・四星と現れ、行く手を阻むが…。

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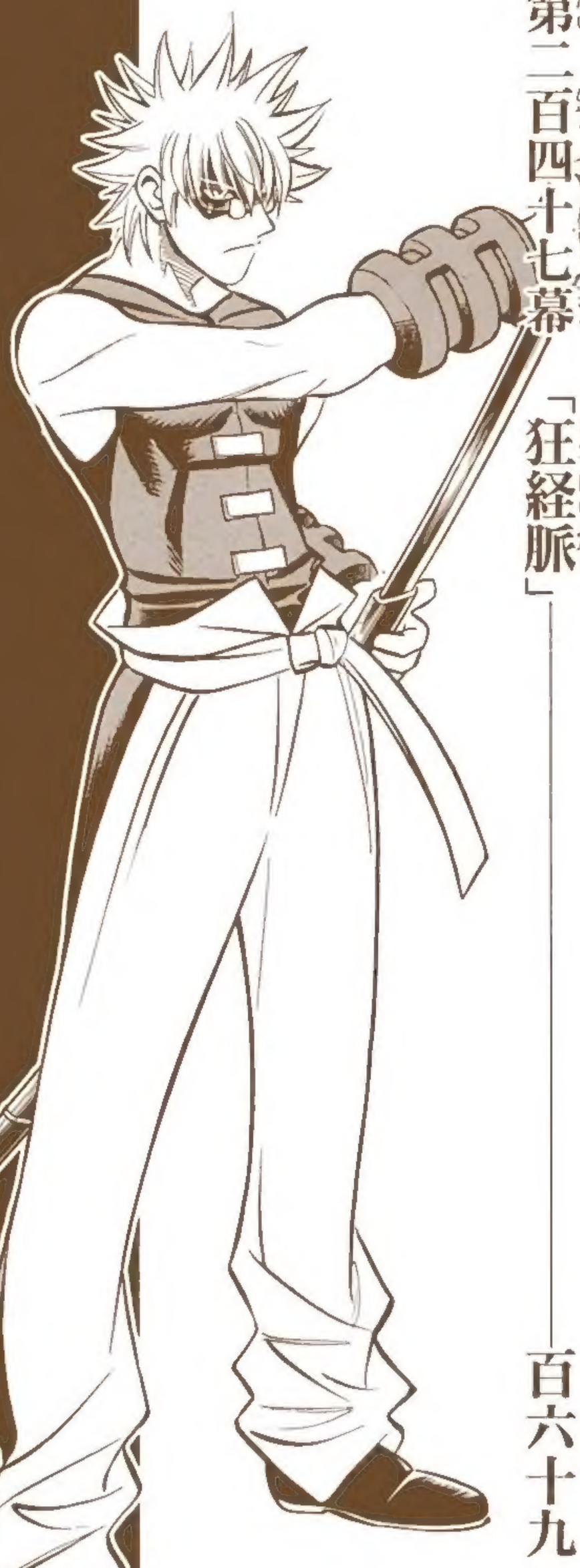

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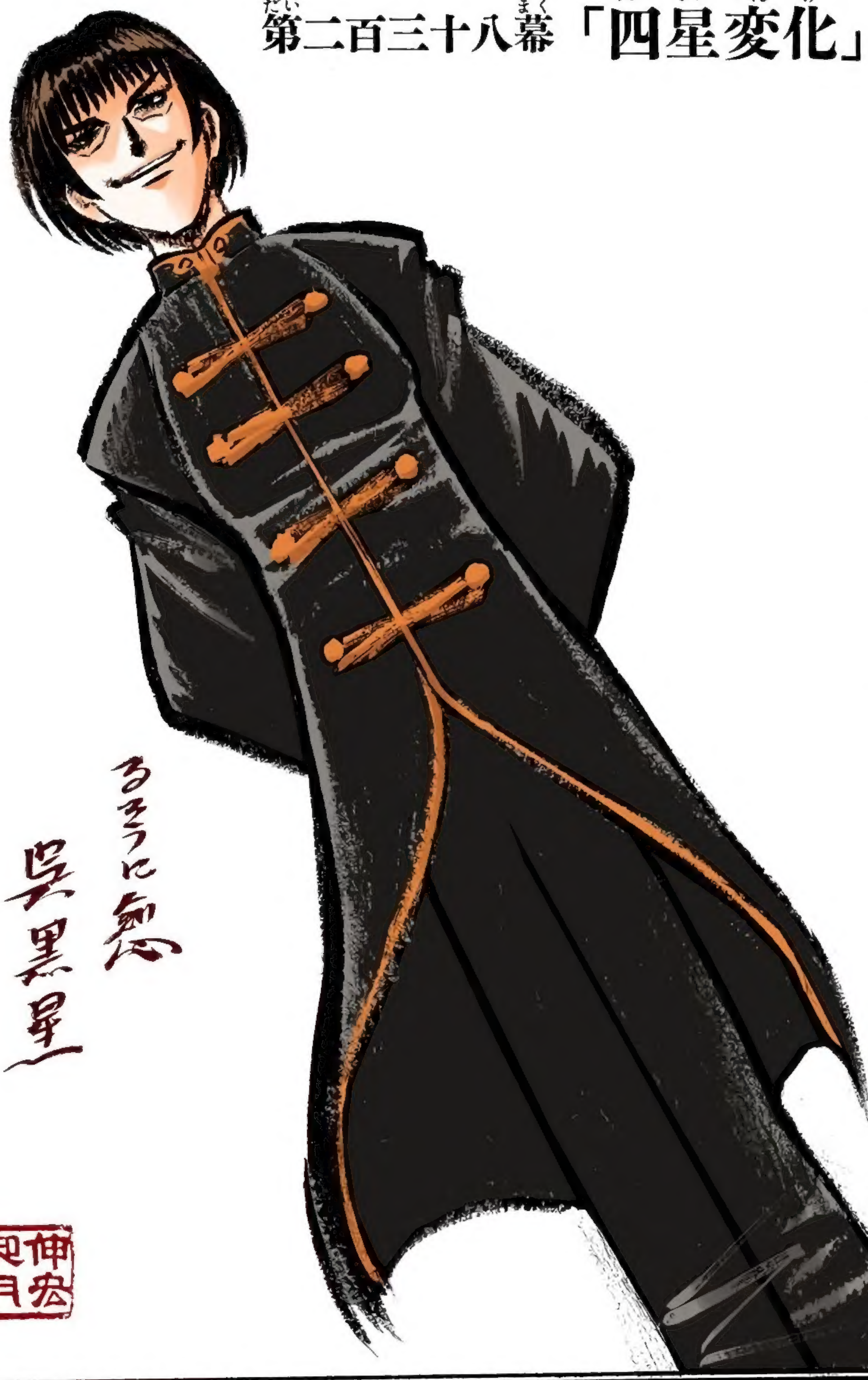

ME, ME! LEAVE IT TO ME! I'M ON A ROLL TODAY, SO I'LL LEND ANOTHER HAND!

YOU'LL JUST DRAG US DOWN. SO, NO.

HEY, YOU CAN TAKE ONE ON.

IT'S FOUR VERSUS FOUR.

YOU GOONS SHOULD STAND DOWN...

...FOR YOUR OWN GOOD.

HUH?

YOU, THE SAMURAI SITTING ON THE BOAT...

YOU'RE HIMURA BATTŌSAI, THE BOSS'S ENEMY, RIGHT?

WILL YOU PUT ASIDE YOUR GOONS AND COME FORWARD? I DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME TO WASTE.

IF YOU DIE QUICKLY, YOU'LL ALL BE SPARED THE PAIN OF TOTAL ANNIHILATION.

THEY ARE NOT... GOONS.

THESE ARE ALL FRIENDS...

...WHO THIS ONE TRUSTS WITH HIS LIFE.

EH...

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...RIENDS ?

ENISHI AND THIS ONE WILL SETTLE THE SCORE.

THAT IS THE BEST COURSE.

WHOEVER YOU MAY BE, IF YOU ARE ENISHI'S MAN, HEAD BACK AND TELL HIM TO COME OUT.

IT'S USELESS.

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...UNLIKE ENISHI, HIS ROLE IS MANAGEMENT. HE ISN'T ONE TO RISK THE FRONT LINE.

HE IS THE SECOND-IN-COMMAND, BUT...

THAT MAN IS WOO HEISHIN.

...OR SENSED DEFEAT AND WENT RUNNING.

HIS PRESENCE HERE MEANS HE WAS EITHER ABANDONED BY ENISHI...

THEN WHY ARE YOU COMING AFTER KENSHIN?

THERE'S NO POINT.

AH, THAT. THE EX-BOSS IS SO INCREDIBLY IRRESPON-SIBLE...

...THAT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE WISE TO TEACH HIM THAT THINGS DO NOT GO THE WAY HE WANTS.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR BOOKS TO MARK WOO HEISHIN AS THE ORGANIZATION'S NEW NUMBER ONE.

HOW RUDE.

I AM NEITHER ABANDONED NOR RUNNING AWAY.

THE BOSS HAS IRRESPONSIBLY THROWN AWAY HIS ORGANIZATION.

THE CHILDISH BOSS OF A HAND-ME-DOWN ORGANIZATION...

THIS JOB IS CERTAINLY TURNING OUT TO BE UNSATISFYING.

YOU MAY BE SMART, BUT YOU HAVE ALL THE MATURITY OF A CHILD.

BASICALLY, YOU JUST WANT TO SPITE YUKISHIRO ENISHI.

NOW, BATTŌSAI, PUT ASIDE THAT SCUM AND COME FORWARD.

EVERYTHING YOU SAY IS QUITE ANNOYING.

IF YOU REALLY WANT TO DIE SO MUCH, I WON'T STOP YOU.

HURRY UP AND COME OUT! I SAID I DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME!!

IF NOT SCUM, HOW ABOUT THE PUNK, THE BRAT, AND THE GLOOMY ONE!

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...FIRST GOONS, AND NOW SCUM?

I WON'T DENY IT. BUT WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

A PUNK, HUH...?

THEN WE'LL SEE WHO'S THE BIGGER BRAT!

KENSHIN HAS NO INTENTION OF FIGHTING YOU GUYS. WILL YOU STILL COME AT US, OR WILL YOU LEAVE?

...BUT OF THIS I WILL WARN YOU...

WHO ARE YOU CALLING GLOOMY?! MAKE AMENDS WITH YOUR DEATH!!

MY INNATE PERSONALITY DOESN'T BOTHER ME...

...THERE IS NO FUTURE FOR THE ORGANIZA-TION.

IF A LEADER CANNOT ACCURATELY DETERMINE AN OPPONENT'S STRENGTH...

IT SEEMS THAT YOU ALL WANT TO DIE HERE!

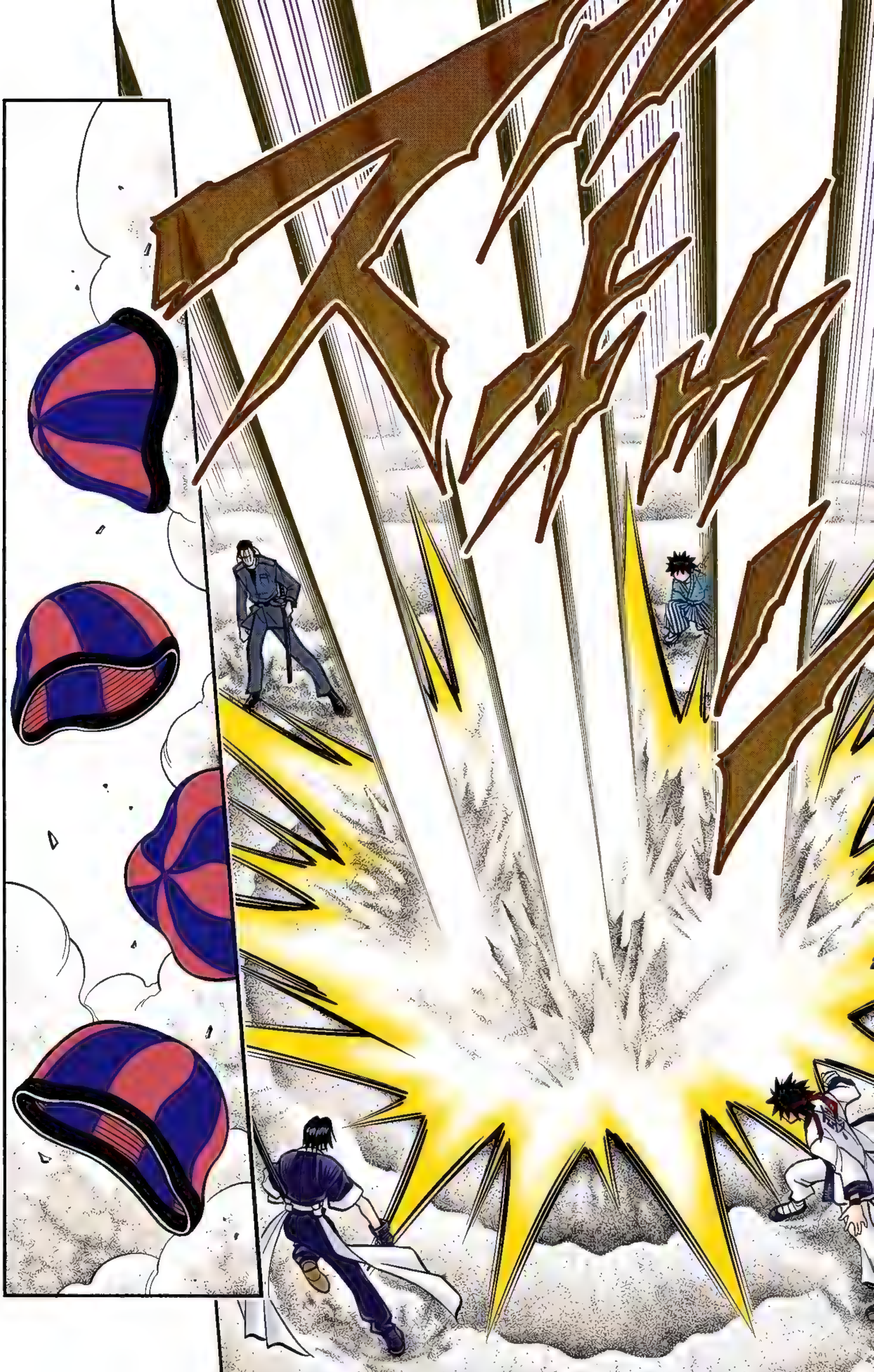
THAT'S ENOUGH !!

SŪ-SHIN !!!

THAT'S HIGH!

HOW, WHEN THEY'RE SO BIG?!

OH NO!



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SŪ-SHIN...

WHAT WE CALL THE "FOUR GODS" IN JAPAN...?

玄武

GENBU...

BYAKKO...

白虎

SEIRYŪ...

青龍

SUZAKU...

朱雀

SUZAKU OF THE SOUTH! BYAKKO OF THE WEST! SEIRYŪ OF THE EAST! GENBU OF THE NORTH! THEY ARE THE LEGENDARY GODLY BEASTS, SAID TO PROTECT THE FOUR SIDES OF THE ROYAL CASTLE!

YES, IT IS *SŪ-SHIN*, THE FOUR GODS.

THIS IS THE TRUE FORM OF THE FOUR STARS!

THEY NORMALLY STAY AT MY SIDE AS THE FOUR STARS, BUT THEY BECOME THE FOUR GODS AND UNLEASH THEIR TRUE POWERS, AT MY COMMAND!!

THESE FOUR, WHO PROTECT ME FROM FOUR SIDES, ARE QUADRUPLETS WHO HAVE MASTERED WEAPONS THAT MIMIC THE GODLY BEASTS.

NOW, *SŪ-SHIN*...

...ONE KILL EACH!!

CHŪCHA SOENGIMU (SUZAKU TWIN SWORD)!!

SŌ (TWIN)

CHENRON DAITŌ (SEIRYŪ LARGE SWORD)!!

ZAN (SLASH)

PAFE CHEMKUN (BYAKKO FISTS)!!

KEN (FISTS)

YUNMŌ SEIKUAN (GENBU SERPENT STAFF)!!

GEKI (STRIKE)

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BUT IT'S OBVIOUS, JUST BY LOOKING AT THEIR WEAPONS!

THEY INSTANTLY DETERMINED THE FIGHTING METHODS OF OUR FOUR, AND SELECTED... ...THE MOST SUITABLE OPPONENTS.

.....!

NORMALLY, THEY MAY HAVE PUT SEIRYŪ AGAINST AOSHI, SINCE HE HAS THE LONGEST RANGE. BUT THEY DETERMINED FROM THE UNUSUAL CENTER OF GRAVITY THAT AOSHI'S SWORD IS A DISGUISED DUAL-KODACHI.

HENCE, THEY CHOSE SAITŌ, WHO CARRIES A JAPANESE SWORD, AS SEIRYŪ'S OPPONENT.

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...BUT NOT FOR AOSHI'S SWORD.

THAT'S TRUE FOR SANO'S FISTS AND YAHIKO'S SHINAI...

...WE MIGHT BE THE ONES GETTING HURT...

IF WE TREAT THEM LIKE COMMON GOONS JUST BECAUSE THEY ALL LOOK ALIKE...

...THOSE FOUR CAN DETERMINE OUR STRENGTHS ...

SO INSTEAD OF HEISHIN...

.....

...TRYING TO FIGHT AGAINST GATOTSU WITH RANGE...

...DOESN'T MAKE YOU ANY LESS OF AN IDIOT!!

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GATOTSU
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FIRST TIME SEEING IT!

第二百三十九幕（だいにひゃくさんじゅうきゅうまく）「四神対決（スーシンたいけつ）ー斎藤対青龍（さいとうたいせいりゅう）ー」

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ZAN!!

DO YOU PLAN TO DIE WITHOUT EVEN TAKING A STEP?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

I SAW IT ALL.

TRYING TO DEFEAT YOU WITHOUT KNOWING YOUR FINISH COULD HAVE COST ME MY LIFE.

WITH JUST ONE GLANCE, I SAW THAT YOU ARE NO ORDINARY MAN...

...IS A CHEAP PRICE FOR VICTORY.

SACRIFICING THIS ARM TO DISCOVER YOUR MOVES...

I, SEIRYŪ...

...PRIDE MYSELF ON BEING THE BEST OF THE *SŪ-SHIN* IN DETERMINING MY OPPONENT'S MOVES.

YOU THINK YOU CAN BEAT ME WITH JUST ONE ARM?

THERE HAS NEVER BEEN AN INSTANCE WHERE I WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE A MOVE AT FIRST SIGHT!

I SEE. THAT'S QUITE AN ACCOMPLISH-MENT.

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...IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE IF YOU CANNOT DODGE IT.

AND...

HOWEVER...

EVEN IF YOU CAN SEE IT...

I KNOW ALL THAT!

...IF YOU CANNOT COUNTER IT, YOU WILL NEVER...

...WIN !!

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THE WEAK POINT OF THAT MOVE...

...IS WHAT YOU EXTEND AS A TARGET AND A COUNTERWEIGHT.

IF I SLIDE INTO THE BLIND SPOT CREATED BY YOUR RIGHT ARM...

...YOUR MOVE IS VANQUISHED, NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU TRY!!

YOUR RIGHT ARM!!

USELESS!

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KEN-SAN...

...IT'S JUST AS THAT MAN SAYS.

ZAKI!

THIS ONE HAS COUNTERED *GATOTSU* BY EXPLOITING THAT WEAKNESS.

AND SO ONCE THE OPPONENT SLIDES INTO THE BLIND SPOT, REACTION IS DELAYED, NO MATTER HOW HARD ONE TRIES.

ADDITIONALLY, WHILE IN MOTION, A CHARGE LIKE *GATOTSU* HAS A NARROWED FIELD OF VISION.

GATOTSU, DUE TO ITS NATURE, HAS A BLIND SPOT IN THAT AREA...

EVEN IF SAITŌ READS AHEAD AND ADDS A SIDESWIPE, HIS SWORD WILL NOT REACH...

THE THRUSTS HE MAKES WITH THAT WEAPON KEEP HIM COMPLETELY OUT OF RANGE.

IF IT KEEPS GOING THIS WAY...

ZERO-SHIKI CAN'T BE USED OUT OF RANGE, EITHER...

NO—

OF COURSE, IF YOU BRING IT OUT, I WILL JUST CONQUER IT RIGHT AWAY!

HEH...

DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW THAT YOUR MOVE IS USELESS?

GIVE IT UP, AND BRING OUT YOUR NEXT MOVE.

...ME...

EXCUSE ...

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YOUR FREAKISH SMILE IS BACK.

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...YOU SEEM TO BE HAVING FUN.

SEIRYŪ KNOWS THAT QUITE WELL.

LAUGHING IN THE MIDST OF BATTLE IS BEYOND RUDE.

YOU SEE...

...BUT WHEN FACED WITH VICTORY, NATURALLY ...

THEN LET ME GIVE YOU A PIECE OF ADVICE...

SO YOU ARE THE TYPE WHO BATTLES FOR ENJOY-MENT.

I SAID I CONQUERED THAT MOVE ALR—

THAT MOVE AGAIN!!

...A LOSING BATTLE CAN ALSO BE ENJOYED.

BY LOOKING AT JUSTICE BEFORE VICTORY...

!?

青龍

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WHAT'S THE MATTER?

THIS IS ALL IT TAKES TO LOSE YOUR GRIN?

UHH...

GAH!

IT'S OVER.

I DON'T HAVE TIME TO LISTEN TO THE RAMBLINGS OF AN UTTER FOOL WHO ONLY ENJOYS WINNING BATTLES.

URMPH!

...THE "SWIFT DEATH TO EVIL" HE CHOOSES TO FOLLOW, EVEN AFTER LOSING THE WAR AND MANY COMRADES...

HIS WORDS OF JUSTICE MAKE HIM STRONG...

IF JUST DEFEATING *GATOTSU* COULD BEAT SAITŌ HAJIME...

...OUR SCORE WOULD HAVE BEEN SETTLED IN KYOTO DURING BAKUMATSU...

カッ!!...

AOSHI-SAMA!

THEN I HAVE NO NEED TO HOLD BACK.

I SEE...

I KNOW THAT'S NITŌ-RYŪ, DUAL-KODACHI.

朱雀

WHY DON'T YOU DRAW?

小太刀二刀流 陰陽交叉!!

ONMYŌ KŌSA (SHADOW LIGHT CROSS)!!

KODACHI NITŌ-RYŪ—

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THE SAME !!!

SHADOW LIGHT CROSS, EXACTLY LIKE AOSHI-SAMA!!

WHAT ...?

...REFLECT BACK TO YOU UNTIL DEATH!!

IN OTHER WORDS, YOUR MOVES WILL BE...

...PRIDE MYSELF IN MY ABILITY TO MIMIC AN OPPONENT'S MOVES.

I, SUZAKU...

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朱雀

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第二百四十幕

「四神対決―蒼紫対朱雀―」

和久伸宏

御庭番式 ONIWABAN STYLE KODACHI NITŌ-RYŪ! 小太刀二刀流！

ONMYŌ HASSHI (DUSK TO DAWN STRIKE)!

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NO.

IT IS NOT "EQUAL."

ALL FOUR LOOK MASS-PRODUCED, BUT HE'S ABLE TO CROSS SWORDS WITH AOSHI-SAMA EQUALLY?

WHAT IS HE?!

WHY DO YOU LOOK SO SERIOUS THERE?!

HA-SHI!

RIGHT! AOSHI-SAMA IS MORE THAN EQUAL TO THAT GUY!

HIMURA, YOU'VE GOT IT RIGHT!

OH! THAT...!!

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KAITEN KENBU ROKUREN (SPIRAL SWORD DANCE, SIX SUCCESSIONS)!

REVERSE HANDED DUAL WIELD! THAT STANCE IS—

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FIRING BACK MOVES I'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE...

...IS IMMUTABLE PROOF THAT I AM SLIGHTLY FASTER THAN YOU!

I AM SUPERIOR BY JUST ENOUGH!!

YOU AND I ARE NOT EQUAL.

I HAVE SEEN YOUR MOVES. I KNOW YOUR TRICKS.

NOW IT IS MY TURN TO ATTACK.

朱雀

CAN YOU KEEP UP WITH ME?

THIS IS PROOF THAT THE MIMICKER CAN BECOME GREATER THAN HIS PREDECESSORS!

ALL FORMS OF COMBAT BEGIN BY MIMICKING THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE, AND SO REACH COMPLETION.

I, WHOSE MIMICRY IS BETTER THAN THE ORIGINAL, HAVE NO ENEMIES!!

ガキィン

HAH!!

I GET VERY WORRIED WHEN YOU'RE SILENT!!

SAY SOME-THING!

YOU'RE QUIET AGAIN!

BWOING BWOING BWOING BWOING

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WHAT SHOULD WE DO, HIMURA ?!

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WHAT ?

OKAY ?

ONE THING, THEN.

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...ENOUGH.

THAT'S ...

TRUST AOSHI.

THE EXPRESSION YOU FOOLS MAKE WHILE BEING KILLED BY YOUR OWN MOVES IS SO ENTER-TAINING!

THIS IS IT! THE FINAL MOMENT!

朱雀

カキ

THIS IS WHY I CANNOT STOP BATTLING!

IT'S OVER!

...WILL BE YOUR...

...LAST ??!

NOW, WHAT SORT OF EXPRESSION ...

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MARTIAL-ARTS...?!

SHUT UP!!

YOU ONLY LANDED THAT BLOW BECAUSE I LET MY GUARD DOWN!

YOU CAN'T DEFEAT YOUR SWORDS WITH YOUR FISTS!

...ORIGINAL MOVES COMBINED FROM DIFFERENT STYLES.

NO MATTER HOW WELL YOU MASTER IT, MIMICRY IS MIMICRY. ITS WEAKNESS IS EASILY REVEALED WHEN FACED WITH THE POWERS OF...

BUT 300 YEARS OF ONIWABAN COMBAT TRADITION CANNOT BE DEFEATED WITH MIMICRY ALONE.

I AM IMPRESSED WITH YOUR ABILITY TO MIMIC.

...AND I KNOW ITS EVERY SWING.

IT IS MY OWN SWORD...

カッ!!!

YOU ARE NOT WORTHY OF DEATH.

...BUT YOU ARE JUST A FOOL, DROWNING YOURSELF IN THE PLEASURE OF BATTLE.

DON'T WORRY... IF YOU WERE TRULY FROM THE SHADOWS, I WOULD FINISH YOU RIGHT NOW...

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AOSHI-SAMA!!

PROB-ABLY.

...LIFE MUST BE FULL OF JOY, WITH A PERSONALITY LIKE THAT.

I NEVER DOUBTED YOU!

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BRAVO! ALL RIGHT! YOU'RE THE BEST!

ヒョイ!

IMPOSSIBLE... TWO OF THE FOUR SŪ-SHIN...

...ARE BEING DEFEATED ...

...WHAT?

AH, BYAKKO!

N''''!

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KAKUSHI (CRANE'S BEAK)!

KANSHU (PIERCING HAND)!

HAISHI (TOASTING HAND)!

SHŌKEN (SMALL FIST)!

HYŌKEN (FLAT FIST)!

OOF !!

THIS IS PAFU CHEMKUN— BYAKKO FISTS!

HOW DO YOU LIKE IT, YOUNG ONE?

...I HUNT DOWN MY PREY EFFICIENTLY, WITHOUT WASTE. JUST LIKE THE TIGER, KING OF THE JUNGLE, DOES!!

TAKUSHI (BOAR'S FEET)

KOSŌ (TIGER'S CLAW)

BY USING THE FORM MOST SUITABLE FOR STRIKING CERTAIN LOCATIONS...

GŌTŌGOKU (FIERCE STRIKE HELL)

KETŌSATSU (FOREIGNER KILLER)

SASSHŌ (MAPLE PALM)

I PLAY NO TRICKS, LIKE ANALYZING OR MIMICKING MY OPPONENT'S MOVES.

I, BYAKKO ...

...PRIDE MYSELF ON HAVING THE FIERCEST ATTACKS OF THE FOUR!

I ATTACK, ATTACK, ATTACK AND ATTACK—

!?!

YOU TALK TOO MUCH, AND YOUR WEAK STRIKES ARE ANNOYING !!

IF YOU WANT TO BEAT ME, COME AT ME WITH KNOCKOUT BLOWS!!

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第三百四十一幕「四神対決ー左之助対白虎ー」

YOU IDIOT !!

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU?!

...ALREADY!!

WHY DON'T YOU LEARN...

I TOLD YOU NOT TO USE THAT RIGHT HAND!

ONE LAST... ...TIME ?

LET ME USE IT ONE LAST TIME.

USING YOUR MEDICINE CABINET AS A WEAPON ...

YOU'RE STARTING TO FIT IN.

LAST ONE.

YEAH.

SHUT UP!!

BUT WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON?

WOULDN'T YOU BE HAPPY...

BESIDES...

...LOSING TO A GUY WHO'S USING ONLY HIS LEFT HAND?

HAH!

...I HEAR THAT A LOT...

...BUT IT DOESN'T EVEN BOTHER ME ANYMORE.

ACTUALLY, WHEN I HEAR YOU SAY IT, IT JUST DISGUSTS ME.

YOU OVER-ESTIMATE YOUR-SELF.

DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY AFTER ONE LUCKY HIT!

I'M THE ONE WHO'S DISGUSTED !!

白虎

YOU IMBECILE !!

HOW'S THIS? YOU HAVE NO CHANCE TO COUNTER—

SABARA (LEFT DESTRUC-TION)!

GUWASHI (RIGHT RING)!

ŌKEI (RETURN PRAYER)!

HAISHI (BACK PIERCE)!

BYŌSHU (CAT CLAW)!

SŌSHŌ (TWIN FISTS)!

KOTSUDA (BONE STRIKE)!

RIKEN (REVERSE FIST)!

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THAT IDIOT.

THE RIGHT HAND AGAIN!

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YOU STILL GOING TO TELL ME IT'S LUCK?

A SECOND STRIKE.

WOW.

HE'S STRONG.

...BUT HE'S GOOD!

I THOUGHT HE WAS AN ANNOYING GUY WHO CALLED ME A WEASEL-GIRL...

IS THIS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SEEN HIM FIGHT, MISAO-DONO?

...AND YOU SAID SOMETHING LIKE "HE'S ONE OF THE MOST DEPENDABLE GUYS" WHEN YOU WERE IN KYOTO!

OH YEAH!

IF I THINK ABOUT IT, HE'S FOUGHT ALONGSIDE YOU THE MOST...

YES, HE IS VERY DEPENDABLE.

TRULY...

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FINE...

I'LL PLAY ALONG WITH YOU ONE MORE TIME, SO COME AT ME WITH A BIG MOVE.

I TOLD YOU, SMALL MOVES WON'T WORK.

IF YOU WANT TO DIE SO MUCH!!

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IDIOT! IT'S BECAUSE HE LET HIS GUARD DOWN!

BLINDING HIM WITH SAND!

HOW DIRTY!

TEKKI (METAL OGRE)!

白虎

PAFU CHEMKUN— SHADOW FORM!

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FOR EXAMPLE, BIG MOVES...

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I SAID...

...SMALL MOVES WILL...

...NOT WORK.

WILL YOU CONTINUE TO BARK LIKE A—

HOW'S THAT?!

HHH

MASTERY OF TWO LAYERS!!

!

...ARE ONES LIKE...

...THIS!!

NO.

IF YOU USE THAT—

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THAT IDIOT. WHY DOES HE GET SO HEATED?

WOWOWOW!!

WHAT WAS THAT?!

スッゲェ!

HE USED HIS RIGHT AND LEFT FISTS, TO DECREASE THE STRESS ON EACH BY MORE THAN HALF.

THE MASTERY OF TWO LAYERS IS A MASTERY OF DESTRUCTION BY ELIMINATING RESISTANCE WITH TWO SIMULTANEOUS IMPACTS.

UP TO NOW, HE HAS BEEN DOING THIS WITH HIS RIGHT FIST ONLY. BUT THIS TIME WAS DIFFERENT.

TRULY—

...BUT IT IS SANO-SUKE'S OWN, SPECTACULAR MOVE.

WHO KNOWS WHEN HE CAME UP WITH IT...

NICE!

...THAN EVER IMAGINABLE.

...HE'S BECOME MORE DEPENDABLE...

ALL OF A SUDDEN...

I'M NOT BORED ENOUGH TO DANCE WITH YOU.

I CAN'T PLAY WITH YOU ANY MORE.

LET'S END THIS NOW.

GEH!

ZII

SHIT

HHH!!

HOW CAN YOU BE THE WARRIORS WHO WEAR THE CROWN OF *SŪ-SHIN*?!

WH-WH-WH-WH...

WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING ?!

HOW CAN YOU NOT WIN AGAINST SCUM LIKE THIS?!!

...WITH ALL MY MIGHT.

I WILL FILL THE AREAS THE OTHER THREE LACK...

PLEASE DO NOT FRET...

KAMIYA KASSHIN-RYŪ SECRET—

...PRIDE MYSELF ON MY EXTREME BATTLE STRATEGY...

I, GENBU...

WHICH IS WHY I AM NOT "UNABLE TO MOVE." BUT AM RATHER "NOT MOVING" IN ORDER TO OBSERVE.

THIS KID HAS BEEN LOOKING FOR A CHANCE TO MAKE A BIG MOVE.

DON'T BRAG SO MUCH!

YOU HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN ABLE TO MAKE ONE MOVE AGAINST THAT BRAT!

YOU ARE THE MOST EMBAR-RASSING OF ALL!

YOU'VE SENSED MY SECRET MOVE.

THIS FOURTH ONE SEEMS TO BE CAUTIOUS.

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HAWATARI (BLADE CROSSING)!!

BUT I CAN'T STAY STILL FOREVER.

PATHS ARE ONLY MADE BY GOING FORWARD!

THIS WILL DO.

THEN ...

I SEE.

AN OFFENSIVE MOVE THAT SEALS THE OPPONENT'S WEAPON.

!?

HEH.

玄武

AH!

HAH!

"HOW CAN YOU NOT WIN AGAINST SCUM LIKE THIS"...

IF THE BOSS IS SPOUTING WORDS LIKE THAT AT THIS POINT...

...THE FUTURE OF THIS BATTLE IS OBVIOUS.

YAHIKO-KUN!

THIS IS BAD, HIMURA!

THIS YUNMŌ SEIKUAN IS NOT AN ORDINARY STAFF.

IT IS ACTUALLY A RETRACTABLE SIX-JOINTED MACE!

YOUR SECRET MOVE IS USELESS AGAINST THIS MACE!

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THIS IS BAD...

...HIMURA!

AT THIS PACE...

...YAHIKO-KUN WILL...

IT IS CERTAIN, JUST LOOK IN HIS EYES...

IT WILL BE FINE.

...GOOD EYES.

YOUNG EYES THAT KNOW NO YIELDING...

IT WILL BE MOST ENJOYABLE TO QUENCH THOSE EYES!!

IT IS THE EPITOME OF PLEASURE TO DEPRIVE THEM OF THEIR FUTURE!

THE YOUNGER THE OPPONENTS, THE MORE ENJOYABLE THE FIGHT!

HMPH !!

KAMIYA KASSHIN-RYŪ, SECRET—

AGAIN...

!

CRAP!

I'VE GOT YOU!

HAH!!

GUH
!

HAH
!!

AH!

NEXT IS—

HOW EASY.

AHH!

!?

WHERE ARE YOU LOOKING ?!

WHAT?!

YOU BRAT!

IT HAD NO EFFECT...

WHY WOULD IT HAVE NO EFFECT?

MY STOMACH HURTS AND MY HEAD IS POUNDING!

...AND GREET KAORU WITH VICTORY!!

I WILL FIGHT, WORTHY OF THE NAME OF KAMIYA KASSHIN-RYŪ'S FIRST STUDENT...

I COULDN'T STAND IT IF KAORU'S FIRST WORDS AFTER BEING RESCUED WERE "YOU'RE PATHETIC"!!

BUT HOW COULD I JUST LIE DOWN AND CRY...

I WILL COUNTER IT WITH KAMIYA KASSHIN-RYŪ'S SECRET MOVE!

NOW COME AT ME WITH YOUR STAFF AGAIN!

YOUR MOVE IS USELESS AGAINST MY STAFF!

FOOL.

SECRETS ARE SECRETS BECAUSE THEY CAN'T BE DEFEATED SO EASILY.

YOU ARE THE FOOL.

AND THIS OPPONENT IS JUST A KID!

I'VE ALSO GIVEN HIM TWO HARD HITS IN THE STOMACH AND HEAD.

I HAVE ALREADY DEFEATED HIS MOVE TWICE.

DON'T BE CONFUSED BY HIS TAUNTS.

.....

ALL RIGHT, COME!

I WILL DO AS YOU WISH.

BUT THIS IS THE END!!

YAAAAAH !!

HMPH !!

HERE!!

HERE—!

I UNLOCK THE STAFF HERE!

WHAT ?!

HE DIDN'T GRAB IT WITH HIS HANDS...

NO.

THE FINE BALANCE OF FORCE AT THE TIP OF THE STAFF...

THAT'S THE ANSWER.

HERE ...

IF I PUSH ON THE END OF THE STAFF...

AND IF GENBU TRIES TO FORCE HIM DOWN, YAHIKO WILL MOVE THE POINT AND USE BLADE CROSSING.

玄武

IN THIS SITUATION, GENBU WILL HAVE TO BACK OFF IN ORDER TO UNLOCK THE STAFF.

BUT IF HE BACKS AWAY CARELESSLY, HE WILL BE OPEN TO BLADE CROSSING.

YAHIKO UNDERSTANDS THIS PURPOSE, AND WAS NOT STUCK ON THE USUAL FORM...

...ALLOWING HIM TO IMPROVISE ACCORDING TO THE SITUATION, USING THE SECRET TO ITS FULL POTENTIAL.

THE PURPOSE OF *HADOME*—BLADE HALTING—IS TO CREATE A SITUATION WHERE THE OPPONENT'S WEAPON IS STOPPED AND CAN BE BROUGHT TO BLADE CROSSING.

AND—

EVERY TIME...

...HE FIGHTS...

...HE BECOMES STRONGER...

BECAUSE OF ITS BIZARRE CONSTRUCTION, THE STAFF'S DURABILITY IS REALLY REDUCED...

NOW WHAT WILL YOU DO? PUSH, OR BACK OFF? IF YOU DON'T ACT SOON, YOUR WEAPON IS GONE.

FIVE.

FOUR.

ONE.

KID, KID, KID, KIDKIDKIDKID—

YES, JUST A KID.

THE OPPONENT IS JUST A KID.

TWO.

THREE

THINK HARD. THINK!

GAH!!

TIME'S UP.

ZERO.

...LOSE !!

YOU...

DO YOU STILL NOT UNDER-STAND...?

!

...LOSE TO SUCH A KID??

HOW?! HOW CAN SŪ-SHIN...

THESE FOUR ARE FIGHTING TO LEND ME THEIR STRENGTH. HOWEVER, THEY ALSO FIGHT WITH STRONG CONVICTIONS OF THEIR OWN DEEP WITHIN THEIR HEARTS.

THE OUTCOME OF A BATTLE IS INFLUENCED NOT ONLY BY THE BODY, BUT BY THE MIND.

JUSTICE.

PHILOSOPHY.

WAY OF LIFE.

FUTURE.

THESE FOUR WILL NOT LOSE TO THOSE WHO FIGHT FOR ENJOYMENT, GODLY BEASTS OR NOT.

ONCE AGAIN...

THEY ARE TRUSTED FROM THE BOTTOM OF THIS ONE'S HEART.

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THEY ARE FRIENDS.

I'LL TURN YOU ALL INTO HONEYCOMB WITH THE FIREARMS AND SOLDIERS IN THE LOWER MANSION!

JUST WAIT, YOU MONKEYS !!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

I TOLD YOU TO GET OUT OF MY SIGHT...

A GIRLY RUN!

AH, HE'S RUNNING !

CRAP CRAP CRAP CRAP!!

CRAP.

YOU MONKEYS ...!

GYAH !!!

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YOU MAGGOT !!

...ENISHI ...!

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第二百四十三幕（だいにひゃくよんじゅうさんまく）「龍虎再見（りゅうこさいけん）」

IS THAT...

...YUKI-SHIRO ENISHI...

HE LOOKS VERY EVIL...

BUT...

HE'S BETTER LOOKING ...

...THAN I HAD IMAGINED.

HEY.

HATRED EMANATES FROM HIM...

GET UP...

...BATTŌSAI.

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!!

YAHIKO!

AH!

...BUT YOU STILL CAN'T PASS BY ME.

YOU MAY BE BLIND TO ANYONE BUT HIM...

WHERE IS... ...KAORU ?

IF YOU DO, I WILL KILL YOU FOR KENSHIN, WHO HAS VOWED TO NEVER KILL!!

DON'T YOU DARE SAY "SHE'S NO LONGER OF THIS WORLD"...

A SWORDSMAN OF KATSUJIN-KEN SHOULD NOT TALK ABOUT KILLING.

BESIDES, YOU ARE A MAN OF KAMIYA KASSHIN-RYŪ.

SO...

YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH A LOT OF GRUELING BATTLES RECENTLY, AND RIGHT NOW YOU CAN BARELY STAND.

RUB RUB

YOU'LL JUST GET BEAT UP.

IDIOT!

!

I WILL KILL HIM...

...IN YOUR PLACE!!

ANSWER HIM, MR. DARK GLASSES!

WHERE'S KAORU?!

HHH ア...

ARGH-

HUFF

HUFF

I'M WEARING GETA!

DON'T GET SO FAR AHEAD!

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT...

I DON'T KNOW THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE ISLAND.

SHEESH!

...PATH...

KEN—

EVERYONE !

KAORU !!

KAORU-SAN!

SHE SEEMS FINE...

HEALTHY AS EVER.

DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A DOLL THIS TIME.

HEH

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THAT'S IT.

IF YOU TAKE ONE STEP OUT OF THE FOREST, I WILL IMMEDIATELY KILL YOU!

WOMAN, YOU WATCH BATTŌSAI DIE FROM THERE!

IF YOU WANT TO HAVE HER BACK, FIGHT ME FOR YOUR LIFE.

I BROUGHT HER HERE SO YOU CAN'T HAVE THE EXCUSE OF BEING WORRIED ABOUT HER DURING BATTLE...

...BUT IF I GIVE HER TO YOU, YOU MAY JUST TAKE OFF.

.....

WHAT SHOULD I DO...?

I DON'T HAVE ANY MORE COMPLAINTS ABOUT YOUR DUEL...

...KNOWING KAORU IS ALIVE.

HEY, DARK GLASSES...

...DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY...

EVEN THOUGH HE SAYS HE'LL KILL ME, HE CAN'T.

IF I WANTED TO GO, I COULD.

HE CAN'T KILL WOMEN WHO ARE THE SAME AGE HIS SISTER WAS...

WE'LL TAKE KAORU BACK...

...RIGHT NOW!

WELL...

BUT...

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

IT'S DEEPLY APPRECI-ATED.

EVERY-ONE.

STEP BACK AND RELAX.

BUT IT IS THIS ONE'S TURN NOW.

YAHIKO.

SANO.

AOSHI.

SAITŌ.

MISAO-DONO, PLEASE HELP MEGUMI-DONO.

OH.

OKAY.

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AH...

YES.

MEGUMI-DONO, PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THEIR WOUNDS.

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SOON EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE.

KAORU-DONO.

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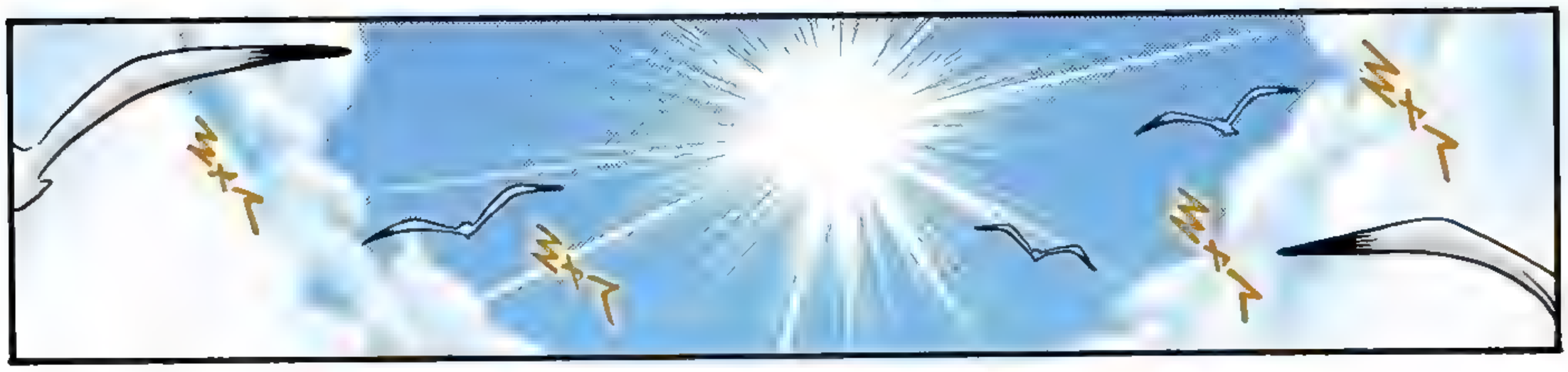
PLEASE WAIT THERE.

OKAY.

GOT IT!



...A LIVING HELL IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH.

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YOU WILL SEE THE TRUE HELL...THAT IS THE ANSWER OF JINCHŪ!

THAT IS MY SISTER'S WISH!!

THIS ONE CANNOT DIE YET.

...THAT ANSWER IS ALSO WRONG. IF TOMOE WISHED FOR THIS ONE'S DEATH, THAT PATH WOULD HAVE BEEN CHOSEN 15 YEARS AGO.

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第二百四十四幕「撃剣」

FIFTEEN YEARS LATER, THE TWO FROZEN EMOTIONS BEGIN TO MELT FROM THE WARMTH OF ONE SMILE—

SORROW...

...AND HATRED.

ON THAT COLD, SNOWY DAY...

...TWO EMOTIONS WERE TRAPPED AS IN ICE—

Act 244—Sword Strikes

LET'S GO, BATTŌSAI!!

KOFUKU CROUCHING TIGER ALREADY—?

HE'S DOWN!

術(ジュツ)!

倭刀(ワトウ)

WATŌJUTSU!

SENRAN (BATTLE WIND)

戦嵐 (セン ラン)

刀 (トウ)

斉 (セイ)

!!!

TŌSEI!!!
(SWORD STRIKE)

HAH!

UH!

KENSHIN!!

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DIE, BATTŌSAI !!

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HAAAAAH !!!

飛天御剣流

HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ—

九頭龍閃!!

KUZU-RYŪSEN (NINE HEADED DRAGON)!!

!!!

AHHHH
!!!

HAAAA
!!!

ICHI
(ONE)

NI
(TWO)

SAN
(THREE)

SHI
(FOUR)

GO
(FIVE)

ROKU
(SIX)

SHICHI
(SEVEN)

HACHI
(EIGHT)

KYŪ
(NINE)

AHHH
!!!

HAAA
!!!

第十六話

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...DID YOU SEE IT?

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ARE YOU INSULTING ME?

BOTH HAVE BEEN USING BIG MOVES, AND YET HAVE BEEN DEFENDING WITH THE MOST EXQUISITE SWORD STRIKES.

TO OPPOSE ENISHI'S ATTACK WITH CENTRIFUGAL FORCE WHILE MOVING...

...BATTŌSAI USED THE SMALL WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY AFTER HITTING THE TREE TO ATTACK WITH *KUZU-RYŪSEN.*

UM...

I DIDN'T GET THAT AT ALL..

...AND WERE BLOWN BACK BY THE IMPACT.

THEN THEY BOTH MADE A FULL FORCE STRIKE AT THE END...

BUT...

RIGHT.

WOW.

RIGHT?

...BUT DOESN'T ENISHI LOOK FASTER THAN BEFORE?

IT MIGHT BE JUST ME...

I SEE...

THAT MUST BE THE DIFFERENCE.

WHEN HE WAS AT THE DOJO, HE WASN'T TRYING TO KILL KENSHIN.

BUT NOW HE IS USING HIS KILLING FORCE.

...AND USED *KUZU-RYŪSEN* RIGHT OFF THE BAT.

HE AROSE FROM THE LIVING HELL CREATED BY DARK GLASSES...

BUT KENSHIN ISN'T LOSING EITHER.

!

EXHAUSTION AND HIS SERIOUS WOUNDS DON'T SEEM TO BE AFFECTING HIM.

HIS WILL-POWER IS STRONGER THAN IN THE PREVIOUS BATTLE.

BUT MAYBE HE NEEDED TO FIND THE ANSWER BEFORE THIS BATTLE...

KENSHIN SAID HE WILL FIND THE ANSWER AFTER THIS BATTLE...

AND...DID HE...?

...THE ANSWER ...?

DID KENSHIN FIND...

.....

WHEN ALL IS SAID, WE ARE EQUAL.

OUR SKILLS ARE ROUGHLY EQUAL.

MY POWER IS SLIGHTLY GREATER.

YOUR SPEED IS SLIGHTLY GREATER.

...IS HEIGHT.

BUT ANOTHER ASPECT WE CAN TEST...

ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT *CHŌTEN TŌSEI*?

THAT SMALL MOVE IS ONLY THE BEGINNING.

...WE ARE ON SAND.

YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GAIN HEIGHT BY USING YOUR SWORD.

...IS ONLY THE BEGINNING FOR WATŌ-JUTSU.

SIMPLY JUMPING UP IN THE AIR...

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第二百四十五幕「飛天御剣流、封殺」

和仲月宏

WITH KENSHIN ...?

WITH HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ...?

A COMPETITION OF HEIGHT...?!

HOW ABOUT IT?

WILL YOU ACCEPT...?

THE STARTING SIGNAL.

FAIR ENOUGH.

HMPH.

...THAT YOUR DUEL HAS BEEN ACCEPTED?

WAS THERE ANY DOUBT...

...THIS ONE WILL ACCEPT.

NO MATTER WHAT YOUR CHALLENGE MAY BE...

LET'S GO!!

OF COURSE! HIMURA JUMPS HIGHER!!

HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ—

!?

疾空刀勢!!!

シックウセイ

SHIKKŪ TŌSEI (SKY STRIDE SWORD STRIKE)!!!

倭刀術

トウジュツ

WATŌJUTSU

UH!

ZUSHA!

...THE UPWARD AND DOWNWARD FORCES BECOME ZERO, MAKING HIM FLOAT.

AT THE PEAK OF THE LEAP, WHERE THE FORCE OF THE JUMP AND THE FORCE OF GRAVITY ARE COMPLETELY EQUAL...

IF YUKISHIRO ENISHI CREATES MOMENTUM WITH HIS STRENGTH AND SWORD AT THIS EXACT MOMENT, IT IS NOT IMPOSSIBLE...

HE TOOK ANOTHER LEAP MIDAIR...

HE CHARGED AT KENSHIN!

SKY STRIDING, HUH?

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE !!

NO...

レオナ!!

ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT TO FORCE ME UP HIGHER?

DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND THAT YOU HAVE NO CONTROL OF A MIDAIR BATTLE?

飛天御剣流 龍翔閃!!

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HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ—

RYŪSHŌSEN!!

SHIKKŪ TŌSEI!!!

疾空追撃

I CONTROL THIS FIGHT!!!

!!!

ZAP

KI-HIN!!

!!

KEN-SAN!

HIMURA!

飛天御剣流龍巻閃!!

HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ RYŪKANSEN (DRAGON SPIRAL STRIKE)!!

WATŌJUTSU SENRAN TOSEI!!!

HAAA!!

UH!!

HAAA!!

飛天御剣流

HITEN MITSURUGI-RYU

九頭龍

KUZU-

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AND IT'S NOT JUST BECAUSE HE'S MADE UP HIS MIND TO KILL THIS TIME.

IT'S SEEPING OUT FROM SOMEWHERE DEEP INSIDE...

ENISHI'S ...

...STRONGER THAN BEFORE...

KUZU-RYUSEN WAS...

AND NOW KENSHIN CAN'T EVEN GET OFF THE FIRST STRIKE...

THE SECOND WAS COMPLETELY BLOCKED...

SO THE FIRST WAS A FULL HIT.

.....

NEGATIVE POWERS SPRINGING FROM EVERY POSSIBLE NEGATIVE EMOTION...

HATE, REVENGE, WRATH, REJEC-TION, CURSE, DESTRUC-TION, DEATH, GRUDGE ...

RYŪTSUISEN, DRAGON HAMMER STRIKE, *RYŪSHŌSEN*, DRAGON FLIGHT STRIKE, COUNTERED BY *SHIKKŪ TŌSEI*. *RYŪKANSEN* DOES NOT WORK AGAINST *SENRAN TŌSEI*.

AMA-KAKERY RYŪ NO HIRAMEKI HAS ALREADY BEEN COUNTERED.

AND THIS...

...MEANS *KUZU-RYŪSEN* WILL NOT LAND, NO MATTER WHAT.

...ALL OF HIS FINISHING MOVES HAVE BEEN DEFEATED.

IN JUST TWO DUELS...

...HE IS OVERWHELMED BY YUKISHIRO ENISHI'S STRENGTH FROM HIS NEGATIVE EMOTIONS!

NO MATTER HOW STRONG KENSHIN BECOMES, UNDER THE BURDEN OF GUILT FROM HIS CRIMES...

HE CAN'T WIN LIKE THIS...

KENSHIN ...

KENSHIN HAS TO FIND THE ANSWER HE HAS BEEN LOOKING FOR ALL THIS TIME...

THE ANSWER...

GET UP, HITOKIRI BATTŌSAI!!

GET UP. LET'S BEGIN YOUR EXECUTION...

I HAVE NOT REVEALED MY SECRET MOVE, OR EVEN KOFUKU ZETTŌSEI...

ARE YOU GIVING UP ALREADY...?

...THE WAY TO ATONE FOR THE CRIMES OF THE HITOKIRI, AND FOR MURDERING TOMOE!!!

AND THE ANSWER THIS TRUTH LED TO IS...

H!!

...TO GET UP.

THERE'S NO NEED TO TELL THIS ONE...

THE LIVING HELL YOU CREATED WAS THE LAST PLACE THIS ONE WILL EVER CROUCH.

THIS ONE FINALLY DISCOVERED IT IN THAT LIVING HELL...

!

...THE SINGLE TRUTH THIS ONE WILL NEVER CHANGE.

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HUFF

THIS ONE HAS FINALLY DISCOVERED...

...THE HITOKIRI'S SIN.

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THE SIN OF MURDERING TOMOE...

...AND THE ANSWER TO ATONE FOR EVERY-THING.

...I SEE.

YOU'VE FINALLY REALIZED ...

JUST GIVE IN TO YOUR PUNISHMENT!!

THEN STOP FIGHTING IT!

倭刀術

WATŌJUTSU—

GŌTSUI TŌSEI (THUNDERING HAMMER SWORD STRIKE)!

轟墜刀勢!!

UGH!

KEN-SAN!

GAH!

HAAA!!

BUT THERE IS NO WAY FOR THE DEAD TO CARRY OUT THIS SENTENCE! THAT IS WHY A LOVED ONE WILL CARRY IT OUT FOR THEM!

THE CRIME OF MURDER IS PAID FOR BY THE PUNISHMENT OF DEATH!

THIS IS THE ANSWER !!

THE CRIMINAL WILL DIE IN REGRET AND ANGUISH!

GET UP!!

GET UP! YOU'VE STILL MUCH REPARA-TION TO MAKE!

KENSHIN !!

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...

FINE.

KILLING YOU NOW WOULD BE EASY.

EASY, BUT IT IS THE SAME...

...AS WHEN YOU KILLED MY SISTER IN FRONT OF MY EYES...

TAKE YOUR OWN LIFE.

!

AND DIE.

THROW ASIDE YOUR HYPOCRITICAL *SAKABATŌ*, AND BY YOUR OWN WILL TAKE UP THIS SWORD OF JUSTICE.

DIE!!!

DIE!

DIE!

NOW!

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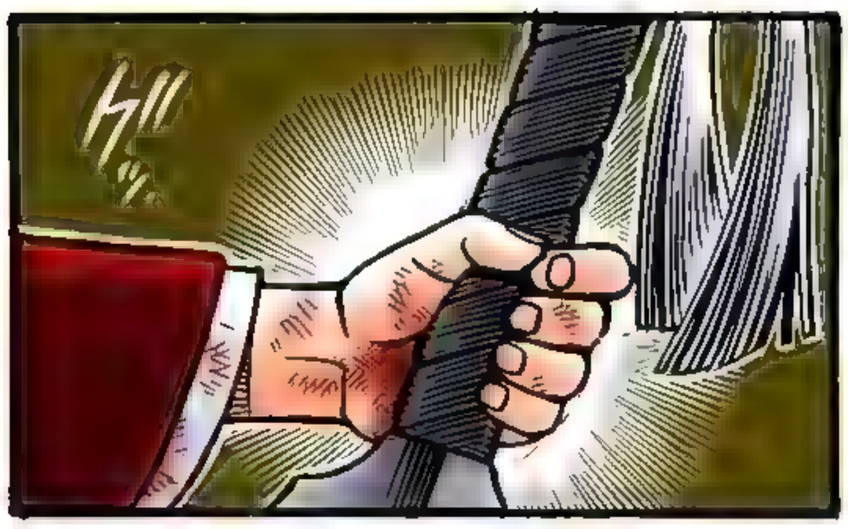

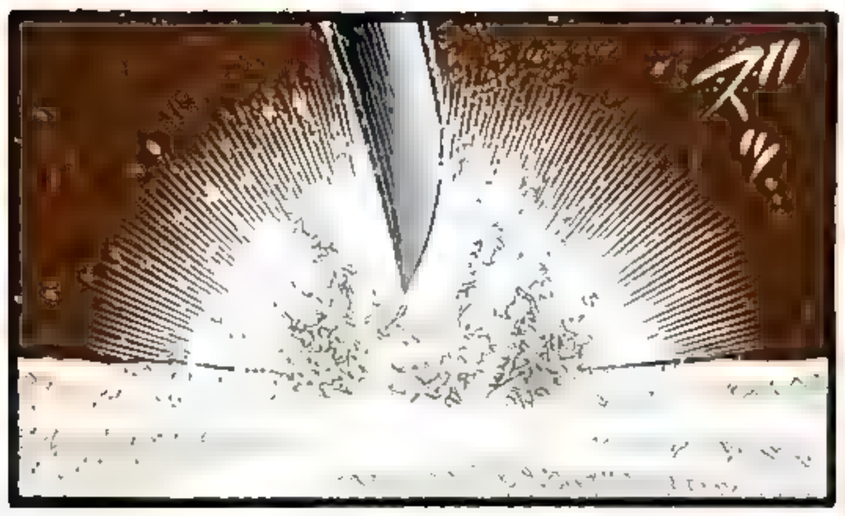

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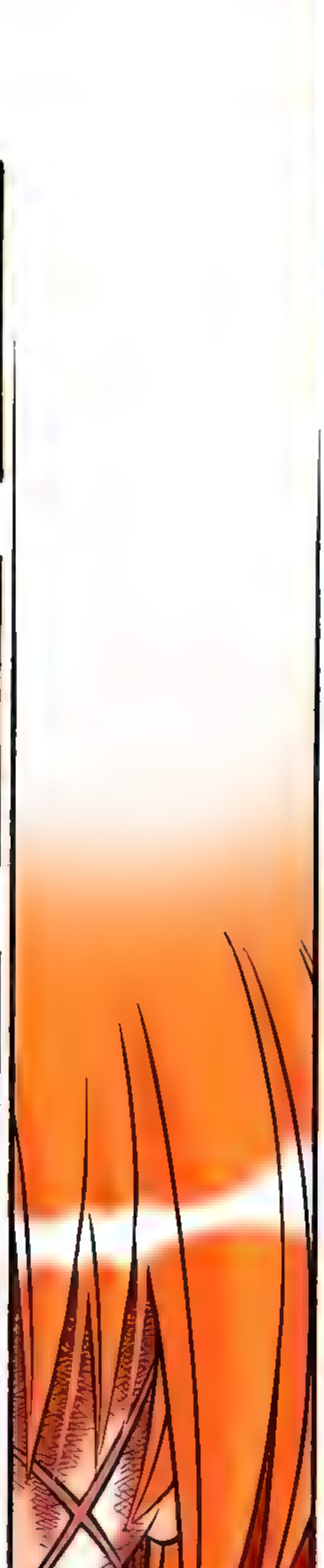
NOW—



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...THIS ONE CANNOT DIE YET...

...AS STATED BEFORE ...

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?

.....

AFTER HAVING TAKEN COUNTLESS LIVES...

YOU!!

...ARE YOU STILL AFRAID OF DYING?!

!?!

THROWING IT ALL AWAY BY COMMITTING SUICIDE IS EVEN LESS OF AN ANSWER.

BUT THIS IS NOT THE ANSWER TO ATONING FOR PAST CRIMES.

DEATH DOES NOT FRIGHTEN THIS ONE...

ABOUT SIN...ABOUT JUDGMENT...

ABOUT LIFE...ABOUT DEATH...

ENISHI, THIS ONE THOUGHT MUCH WHILE IN THE LIVING HELL...

THE SINGLE TRUTH THIS ONE CANNOT ABANDON...

AND WHERE THIS ONE ENDED UP, WAS AT THE ORIGIN...

THE WISH TO BE STRENGTH FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER, THOSE IN SORROW...

THE WISH TO PROTECT THOSE WITHIN SIGHT...

...EVEN JUST ONE MORE SMILE...

THIS ONE WANTS TO SEE...

THIS ONE DID NOT REALIZE THAT THE SLAIN WERE FIGHTING WITH THE SAME REASON AT HEART...

FOR THIS, MANY ENEMIES HAVE BEEN SLAIN...

...AND MANY OTHER LIVES HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

BUT FOR NOW, THIS ONE WILL LIVE ON, TAKING ON THE IDEALS OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN SLAIN.

ALL THAT IS THIS ONE'S MISTAKE... SO ANY PUNISHMENT WILL BE ACCEPTED.

THIS ONE WILL FIGHT ON, WITH THE VOW TO NEVER KILL AGAIN!!

THIS ONE WILL LIVE ON, BRINGING AS MANY SMILES, AS MUCH HAPPINESS AS POSSIBLE.

BUT UNTIL THIS ONE PHYSICALLY CANNOT WIELD THIS SWORD...

...THIS ONE WILL FIGHT ON!!

THE AWAITING PUNISHMENT MAY BE THE DEATH YOU SPEAK OF...

...OR SOME DIFFERENT FORM.

"VOWING TO THE SWORD AND SOUL, THIS LIFE OF BATTLES WILL BE FOLLOWED THROUGH!" THIS IS THE ANSWER THIS ONE HAS COME TO!!

KENSHIN
...

...HMPH.

THAT'S A SUITABLE ANSWER FOR YOU.

KEN-SAN...

BUT HIMURA WILL DO IT!

...IN SOME SENSE, IT WILL BE A LIFE HARSHER THAN DEATH ITSELF.

HE WILL DEFINITELY DO IT!!

...YOU THINK THAT WILL MAKE MY SISTER FORGIVE YOU?

AND...

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...TOMOE FINALLY SMILED IN RETURN...

WHEN THIS ONE CAME TO THE ANSWER AND TRIED TO STAND...

THIS ONE IS NOT SURE...

...BUT...

IN YOUR MIND...

ENISHI...

...IS TOMOE SMILING AT YOU...?

LOOK

!

I'LL KILL YOU!

LET

LET

KILL...

...BY SLAMMING YOU DOWN INTO HELL!!

IN DREAMS, REALITY, OR ILLUSION!

I WILL MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SEE MY SISTER IN HEAVEN...

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KILL!

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YOU SAW IT TOO?

I WAS NOT MISTAKEN WHEN I SAW IT APPEAR ON HIS FACE...

SO...

WH-WH-WHAT?

NO...I HAVEN'T READ ANYTHING ABOUT IT IN THE ONIWABAN RECORDS...

AND...

...WHAT WAS IT? EVEN YOU DON'T KNOW?

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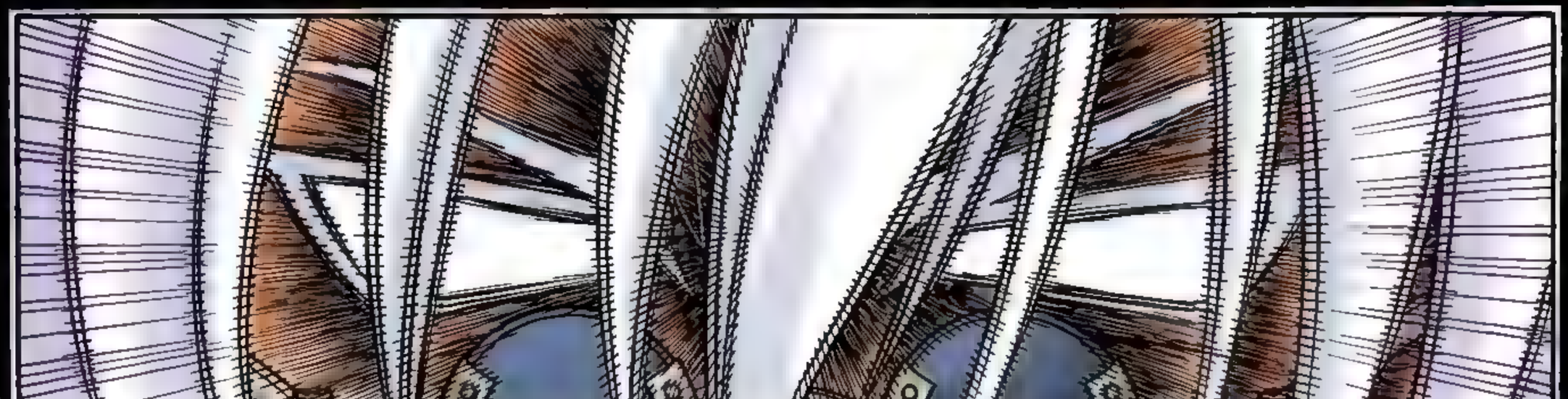
Act 247
Kyōkeimyaku
(Frenzied Nerves)



...ENISHI...?

THOSE ARE—

NO...THEY AREN'T VEINS...

VEINS?

WHAT IS THAT? SO CREEPY.

...

HERE I COME.

WHAT...?

KEN—

HAH

HE'S FAST! HE'S DEFINITELY FASTER THAN—

!!

HE'S GAINED SPEED!!

I KNEW IT...

THOSE AREN'T VEINS...

THEY'RE ...

KENSHIN!

HOW CAN NERVES BE SO HUGE?!

NERVES ?

...NERVES !!!

...BUT THAT'S ALL I CAN THINK OF.

THEY USUALLY AREN'T...

KEN-SAN AND ENISHI ARE BOTH PEOPLE WITH SUPER-HUMAN SPEED.

THE ONLY WAY TO SPEED UP BEYOND EVEN THAT...

...IS TO ENHANCE THE REACTION TIME OF THE NERVES.

AN AB-NORMALITY PRESENT FROM BIRTH...

...NERVES ARE NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN BE EASILY TRAINED...

...AND NOT TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY BECOME VISIBLE LIKE THAT.

TRUE, BUT...

IN A WAY, AN ABILITY GRANTED BY THE HEAVENS.

ABILITY GRANTED BY THE HEAVENS... WRONG.

UGHHH

UHMPH

THIS ABILITY WAS GIVEN TO ME...

...IN ORDER TO TAKE REVENGE ON YOU!

...GIVEN TO ME BY MY SISTER...

DAY AND NIGHT...

SUNNY DAYS, RAINY DAYS...

SPRING, SUMMER, AUTUMN, WINTER...

I KEPT HATING, EVEN AS MY HAIR TURNED WHITE AND I DRIFTED TO SHANGHAI...

SINCE THAT DAY IN THE SNOW, I HAVE HATED YOU...

IT NEVER SLEPT, AND MAINTAINED A CONSTANT ACTIVE STATE!

IT WAS AS THOUGH MY BRAIN WAS FEEDING ON MY HATRED FOR YOU.

MY CONSTANTLY ACTIVE BRAIN EVENTUALLY TRIGGERED MY NERVES TO GROW THICKER, GRADUALLY HONING THEM...

A NORMAL PERSON RESTS THEIR BODY AND BRAIN BY SLEEPING, BUT MY BRAIN WAS ACTIVE EVEN DURING SLEEP!

...MY NERVES HAVE DEVELOPED TO THE POINT THAT I CAN SENSE THE ELECTRICITY FLOWING WITHIN ME!

AND IN 15 YEARS...

KYŌKEIMYAKU— FRENZIED NERVES!!

THIS IS MY HIDDEN HAND...

HHH—!!

IT'S USELESS!!

LEFT—

KYŌKEIMYAKU SPEED IS OF A DIFFERENT NATURE!

YOU SPEED UP YOUR REACTIONS BY READING YOUR OPPONENT'S MOVES...

...BUT I CAN REACT AFTER MY OPPONENT HAS MOVED, AND STILL MAKE IT IN TIME!

MY SKIN CAN FEEL EVERY SINGLE GRAIN OF SAND!!

MY EYES CAN FOLLOW EVERY DROP OF BLOOD IN THE AIR!!

HITEN OR NOT, ALL OF MY SENSES CAN FIND YOU, AND MY MUSCLE NERVES WILL—

MY EARS CAN HEAR EVERY CRACK OF YOUR BONES!!

...STRIKE !!

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GAH...

HAH!

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HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ ITSELF HAS BEEN DEFEATED.

WITH HEIGHT AND SPEED...

...THIS IS IT.

...IT SEEMS LIKE...

I CAN'T LET HIM...

...DIE HERE.

I'D PLANNED ON STAYING OUT OF THIS DUEL, BUT I HAVE NO CHOICE...

I'LL TAKE CARE OF THE REST.

!

HEY MEGUMI, GET HIM OUT OF THERE AND TREAT HIM.

RIGHT.

.....

I DON'T WANT TO LET HIMURA DIE EITHER...

AOSHI-SAMA!

!!!

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HOLD IT!

THIS FIGHT IS STILL KENSHIN'S FIGHT.

NO MATTER HOW MUCH OF A DISADVANTAGE HE SEEMS TO BE AT, KENSHIN HASN'T SAID HE'S LOST YET.

THAT IS TRUE NOW...

BESIDES... KENSHIN ALWAYS WINS.

...AND...

...WILL CONTINUE TO BE TRUE.

YES.

RIGHT?

YOUR GOOD THOUGHTS ARE GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED.

EVERY-ONE...

THIS BATTLE IS A TURNING POINT IN THIS ONE'S LIFE...

BUT THIS BATTLE IS SOMETHING THIS ONE CANNOT ALLOW OTHERS TO FINISH...

...WITH THIS ONE'S OWN HANDS!!

VICTORY WILL BE ACHIEVED...

YOUR DEFEAT HAS NO MEANING AT THIS POINT!

YOUR DEATH IS THE ONLY THING THAT WILL SAVE MY SISTER AND ME!!

THAT'S RIGHT!

DESPAIR YOUR DEFICIENT SWORD, AND DIE!!

YOUR HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ IS NOTHING WHEN FACED WITH MY WATŌJUTSU AND *KYŌKEIMYAKU!*

HERE I COME!!

倭刀術(ワトウジュツ)!!

WATŌJUTSU!!

疾空(シック)

SHIKKŪ—

TŌSEI!!

刀征(トウセイ)

無双(ムソウ)!!

HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ HAS PROTECTED PEOPLE FROM SUFFERING IN MANY ERAS.

THERE IS NO LIMIT!!!

THE POWER OF YOUR SWORD MAY BE GREATER THAN THIS ONE'S...

ENISHI ...

H!!!

...BUT YOU SEE ONLY POWER, AND JUDGE BASED ONLY ON POWER.

HITEN MITSURUGI-RYŪ—

飛天御剣流

RYŪMEISEN (DRAGON HOWL STRIKE)!!

龍鳴閃!!

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